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My dear Mr. Garrison,

I have mailed to-day for the Congregationalist a letter addressed to Dr. Bacon, growing out of his late letter "to himself" in the Independent. But it will be more than I look for, if the Congregationalist consents to publish, & I have requested Mr. Richardson, in case he does not publish, to hand the MS. over to you. Of course it would be much better for the effect to be had, to have it appear in that Paper. But my abolitionism being of your type, I get no favors in that quarter. Indeed, you well know that the most determined efforts are being made to cast off my brother & myself. Our virtual fusion with you is horribly galling to our orthodox brethren, & they are trying, as you see, to make of it all the capital possible against us. Do you see that short malignant Editorial in this week's Re-

Corder about the suppression of that passage in the London address which brought "the cloud over the faces" of some in that meeting. I trust my letters will at once give that passage just as it was spoken. Knowing the way in which his manuscripts are always put together & interleaved, I can easily account for its non-appearance. But it is demanded that it now be printed, & that the world know what should bring the cloud over clerical faces at a passing tribute to the acknowledged father of American Abolitionism. — I think you will do well to send a Liberator occasionally to Dr. Guthrie of Edinburgh. I heard of his expressing a wish to my sister, Mrs. Washburn, to see your paper, & I accordingly mailed him one as soon as I heard of his desire. I should not wonder if he should fire a gun in regard to your alleged infidelity, that will spread consternation among the practical orthodox infidels on this side the water. You see his allusion to Miss Remond.

My brother will do much toward getting the scales off the eyes of our friends on the other side the water — God grant he may be immortal till his work is done! It really seems as if the Independent would like to kill him off. Witness the last week's article on Aberrations of Memory. If it were my case, I should have no hesitation in instituting a suit for libel against that Paper. Heavy damages, I am satisfied, would be recovered.

The late refusal in the American Board to entertain such a mild proposition as I made, is reacting grandly on the would-be-deemed — Anti-Slavery, but Abolition-hating Ecclesiastical leaders & managers. Mrs. Stowe's article will be a power — I have thought I ought not to let slip such a legitimate opportunity as Dr. Bacon's letter affords, to endeavor to show up the men that for twenty five years have been fighting abolitionism, & that now would not entertain a mild

& cheap pronunciation in your total Excom the slave-trade lest it should appear to have abolitionized the Board!

If the M.S. goes into your hands, & you shall see fit to publish, can not the proof be transmitted to me for correction? Do not let its length appall you. I tried to make it shorter, but found it necessary to say all I have written.

Since the Republican triumph, even though Lincoln should prove another John Tyler, I think abolitionism will be able to show a bolder hand. Our opponents want to use their legerdemain & "logodaedaly" with the word abolitionism just as they have been doing with the word slaveholding. In both cases it must be stretched, & it can be. All true anti-slavery people must be willing to be called abolitionists, & under that name, abolition, we must conquer. In hoc signo vinces. May God keep you till you see the end of the war.

Yours fraternally Henry T. Cheever